

Memorial Hill

Memorial Hill, long a meeting place for special events in Midway, may possibly have been used by others long before the coming of the 19th century. A Mr. Nelson wrote in a book of Danish archeological trivia, that

a strange depression found on top of this hill (located where the flag now stands) was a Danish burial plot. He based this upon the way in which the rocks lining the "grave" were placed, as well as its size, shape, etc. Mr. Nelson speculated that when the Danes (Vikings) set out on an expedition during the time of Lief Erickson to circumnavigate the globe, the group came through Heber Valley as they traveled

along a great arch to reach their goal. The tomb found on our hill apparently matches one found in Australia, and another in Denmark, and is supposedly in direct line with these other two.

We do know that Memorial Hill was an island in Lake Bonneville. Indian relics found on the hill also lead to speculation that it may have been an indian burial ground.

When the pioneers came, the mound was included in the homestead of Jesse McCarroll, and for many years was known as "Jesses' Mound."

When the indian troubles began in 1866, the settlers along the Snake Creek, fortified them-

selves in Fort Midway, posting a lookout atop "Jesses' Mound" to keep a sharp eye peeled for trouble.

In 1928, the Wasatch County Commissioners purchased the hill, renamed it to Memorial Hill, and dedicated it as a memorial to all those brave men from the county who served their country in the armed forces during times of armed conflict. The memorial itself, found atop the hill, had listed the names of those who served, and indicated with stars, those who had been wounded and those who died. These listings were on bronze plates, which were stolen by vandals in 1980. The county commission plans to replace the plaques soon.



The parade route has been changed for this year's activities. It will begin at the Town Hall and then go around 1st North, down and back on Main Street both nights.

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Known throughout the ages as a place to soak in the bubbling waters of natural hot springs, Midway, has drawn crowds for years. The geothermal waters have been thought to bring cures to the many that have soaked.

The cure was probably a

relaxing of tired joints, and a relief of tension.

The early settlers, it is believed sought out these warm springs hoping that the warmth from the earth would lengthen

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